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1. NASSAU MORNING NEWSPAPER, GUARDIAN, RAN FRONT PAGE ARTICLE FEBRUARY 26 ON GCOB INVESTIGATION INTO DEATH OF BAHAMIAN PRISONER WHILE IN POLICE CUSTODY DECEMBER 19. ARTICLE HEADLINED "DEATH AT CID: BODY EXHUMED FOR FURTHER EXAMINATION" AND BASED ON BAHAMAS INFORMATION SERVICES (BIS) RELEASE.

2. ARTICLE REPORTS THAT BODY OF DECEASED PRISONER WAS EXHUMED LAST WEEK FOR EXAMINATION BY "AN AMERICAN FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST" WHO IS CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION AT REQUEST OF ATTORNEY GENERAL PAUL ADDERLEY WHO ISSUED WARRANT FOR EXHUMATION. ARTICLE GOES ON TO STATE THAT "DR. RUSSELL S. FISHER WILL BE CONDUCTING THE POST MORTEM EXAMINATION, SINCE HE ARRIVED HERE ESPECIALLY FOR THAT PURPOSE. HE IS THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER FOR THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND A PROFESSOR OF FORENSIC PATHOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL SCHOOL. BIS SPOKESMAN SAID TUESDAY THAT THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE 34-YEAR-OLD AUTO MECHANIC'S DEATH 'IS CONTINUING' AND IMPLIED THAT THE OUTCOME HINGES DIRECTLY ON DR. FISHER'S FINDINGS."

3. ARTICLE NOTES THAT PLP MP OSCAR JOHNSON HAD CALLED FOR IMPARTIAL INVESTIGATION INTO PRISONER'S DEATH WHILE IN CID CUSTODY, AS HAVE OPPOSITION FNM PARTY AND BOTH DAILY NEWS-
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